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INDIANA WINTER WHEAT PRODUCTION FORECAST DOWN 37 PERCENT

Based on conditions May 1, Indiana's 2010 winter wheat crop is expected to total 19.0 million bushels, down 37 percent from the 30.2 million bushels produced in 2009. The expected yield of 68 bushels per acre is up one bushel from last year. Intended acreage for harvest as grain, at 280,000 acres, decreased 38 percent from last year, and would be a record low for Indiana. The crop was rated 72 percent good to excellent as of May 2, compared with 79 percent a year ago.

Indiana's winter was relatively mild and snow cover was more abundant this year. Spring weather was favorable to winter wheat. Precipitation was adequate but not excessive, and early warm weather perked fields up rather quickly. The crop has progressed on pace with the average, and wheat fields in the southern reaches of the state began heading by the beginning of May. Scab risk is currently low due to the warm, dry weather.

Nationally, winter wheat production is forecast at 1.46 billion bushels, down 4 percent from 2009. Expected area for harvest as grain or seed totals 31.8 million acres, down 8 percent from last year. Based on May 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 45.9 bushels per acre, up 1.7 bushels from the previous year.

INDIANA PASTURE CONDITIONS, HAY STOCKS UP OVER LAST YEAR

As of May 2, pasture condition was rated 78 percent good to excellent, compared to 69 percent a year earlier. Hay stocks on Indiana farms totaled 198,000 tons, up 7 percent from a year earlier. Hay production was adequate last year with supplies lasting well through the winter, and pastures remained in good condition late into the fall. Pasture growth and development have progressed well this spring - actually much better than in recent years.

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Nationally, all hay stored on farms May 1, 2010 totaled 20.9 million tons, down 5 percent from a year ago. Disappearance from December 1, 2009-May 1, 2010 totaled 86.3 million tons, compared with 81.6 million tons for the same period a year ago.

CROPS MAY 1, 2010 WITH COMPARISONS

Item	Indiana		United States	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
Winter Wheat				
For Harvest (1,000 Acres)	450	280	34,485	31,786
Yield Per Acre (Bushels)	67.0	68.0	44.2	45.9
Production (1,000 Bushels)	30,150	19,040	1,522,718	1,458,350
Hay Stocks on Farms, May 1				
Quantity (1,000 Tons)	185	198	22,065	20,913

PASTURE CONDITION, BY PERCENT INDIANA & UNITED STATES, MAY 2, 2010

State	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent				
Indiana	0	1	21	58	20
United States	1	6	30	53	10

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CATTLE AND CALVES PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION AND INCOME

Cash receipts from marketings of cattle and calves, in Indiana, decreased 11 percent to \$224.4 million during 2009. All cattle and calf marketings during 2009 totaled 297.1 million pounds, down 7 percent from 2008. Indiana ranked 32nd among all states for cash receipts in 2009, unchanged from the previous year. Texas moved into the number one spot, followed by Nebraska.

U.S. cash receipts from marketings of cattle and calves decreased 10 percent from \$48.5 billion in 2008 to \$43.8 in 2009. All cattle and calf marketings totaled 54.1 billion pounds in 2009, down 1 percent from 2008.

CATTLE AND CALVES: PRODUCTION, DISPOSITION AND INCOME INDIANA AND UNITED STATES, 2008-2009

Item	Indiana			United States		
	2008	2009	2009 as a % of 2008	2008	2009	2009 as a % of 2008
	<u>Thousand Head</u>		<u>Percent</u>	<u>Thousand Head</u>		<u>Percent</u>
Beginning Inventory	890	860	97	96,035	94,521	98
Calves Born	315	335	106	36,153	35,819	99
Inshipments	105	100	95	19,761	19,790	100
Marketings <u>1/</u>	414	388	94	53,168	52,180	98
Farm Slaughter <u>2/</u>	4	4	100	186	185	99
Deaths	32	33	103	4,074	4,064	100
Ending Inventory <u>3/</u>	860	870	101	94,521	93,701	99
	<u>Thousand Pounds</u>		<u>Percent</u>	<u>Thousand Pounds</u>		<u>Percent</u>
Production <u>4/</u>	234,424	273,484	117	41,594,392	40,919,268	98
Marketings <u>5/</u>	318,400	297,050	93	54,695,975	54,146,122	99
	<u>Thousand Dollars</u>		<u>Percent</u>	<u>Thousand Dollars</u>		<u>Percent</u>
Cash Receipts <u>6/</u>	253,482	224,421	89	48,517,768	43,776,568	90
Value of Consumption	11,571	10,965	95	415,924	386,304	93
Gross Income	265,053	235,386	89	48,933,692	44,162,872	90

1/ Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and state outshipments, but excludes interfarm sales within the state.

2/ Excludes custom slaughter for farmers at commercial establishments.

3/ January 1, succeeding year.

4/ Adjustments made for inshipments and changes in inventory.

5/ Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within the state.

6/ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter.

SPRING CROP PROGRESS

Very little field work was accomplished during the week due to persistent rain showers. Planting of corn is running about 12 days ahead of the 5-year average pace, and soybean planting is about 5 days ahead of the 5-year average. Some corn acreage will need to be replanted due to flooding in low lying areas and also poor emergence due to the recent cool, wet weather. A limited amount of soybean acreage will need to be replanted because of frost damage in some of our northern most counties. Farmers will begin taking the first cutting of hay as soon as weather permits.

There were 2.0 days suitable for field work. Eighty-six percent of the intended corn acreage has been planted compared with 22 percent last year and 68 percent for the 5-year average. By area, 87 percent of the crop has been planted in the north, 91 percent in the central

region, and 75 percent in the south. Sixty-nine percent of the corn acreage has emerged compared with 7 percent last year and 37 percent for the 5-year average. Forty-six percent of the intended soybean acreage has been planted compared with 5 percent last year and 35 percent for the 5-year average.

Fifty percent of the winter wheat crop is headed compared with 36 percent last year and 41 percent for the 5-year average. Winter wheat condition is rated 70 percent good to excellent compared with 77 percent last year at this time.

Pasture condition is rated 79 percent good to excellent compared with 76 percent last year. Pastures and hay crops have experienced exceptional growth thus far this spring. Livestock remain in mostly good condition.

INDIANA MILK PRODUCTION UP 3 PERCENT

Indiana's milk production totaled 295 million pounds during April 2010, up three percent from a year earlier. The number of milk cows on farms totaled 169,000 head, up 1 percent from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during April totaled 15.2 billion pounds, up 1.7 percent from April 2009. March revised production at 15.4 billion pounds, was up 0.9 percent from March 2009. The March

revision represented an increase of 9 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,823 pounds for April, 63 pounds above April 2009. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.33 million head, 155,000 head less than April 2009, but 3,000 head more than March 2010.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION INDIANA, AND SELECTED STATES, APRIL 2009-2010

State	Milk Cows <u>1/</u>		Milk Per Cow <u>2/</u>		Milk Production <u>2/</u>		
	2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010	2010 as % of 2009
	<u>Thousand Head</u>		<u>Pounds</u>		<u>Million Pounds</u>		<u>Percent</u>
INDIANA	167	169	1,710	1,745	286	295	103
Illinois	102	101	1,625	1,670	166	169	102
Iowa	215	212	1,710	1,750	368	371	101
Michigan	356	357	1,865	1,955	664	698	105
Minnesota	468	470	1,605	1,650	751	776	103
Ohio	277	268	1,590	1,670	440	448	102
Wisconsin	1,256	1,261	1,650	1,745	2,072	2,200	106
23 State Total	8,480	8,325	1,760	1,823	14,922	15,178	102

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

TURKEY HATCHERY

Turkey eggs in incubators on May 1, 2010, in the United States totaled 28.7 million, down slightly from May 1, 2009. Eggs in incubators were down slightly from the April 1, 2010 total of 28.8 million eggs.

Regional changes from the previous year were: East North Central down slightly, West North Central up 12 percent, North and South Atlantic down 6 percent, and South Central and West down 20 percent.

ALL TURKEYS

Geographic Division <u>1/</u>	Eggs in Incubators May 1		Percent of Previous Year	Eggs Hatched During April		Percent of Previous Year
	2009	2010		2009	2010	
	<u>Thousands</u>		<u>Percent</u>	<u>Thousands</u>		<u>Percent</u>
E N Central	4,183	4,171	100	3,752	3,671	98
W N Central	11,057	12,342	112	9,508	10,158	107
N & S Atlantic	10,065	9,437	94	8,498	8,313	98
S Central & West	3,465	2,781	80	2,933	2,483	85
U.S.	28,770	28,731	100	24,691	24,625	100

1/ E N Central: IL, IN, MI, OH, and WI; W N Central: IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, and SD; N & S Atlantic: CT, ME, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT, DE, FL, GA, MD, NC, SC, VA, and WV; S Central and West: AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, ID, KY, LA, MS, MT, NM, NV, OK, OR, TN, TX, UT, WA, and WY.

MAJOR AGRICULTURAL SURVEY

Nearly 4,000 Indiana farm operators will be part of a national sample of producers who will be contacted for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's June survey.

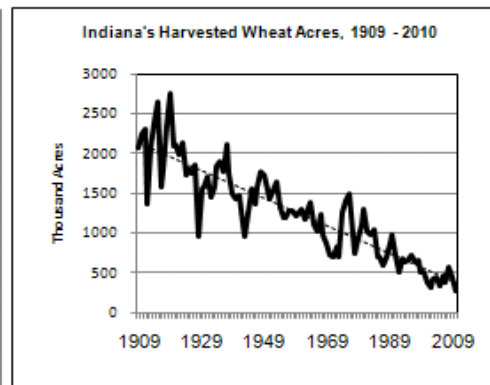
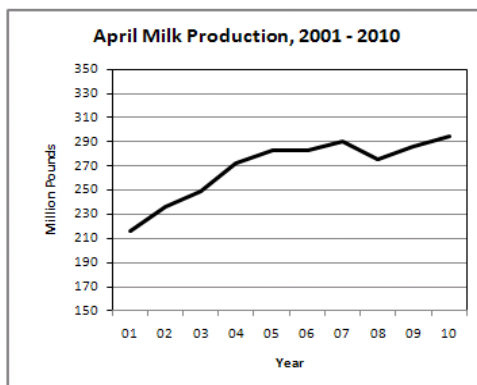
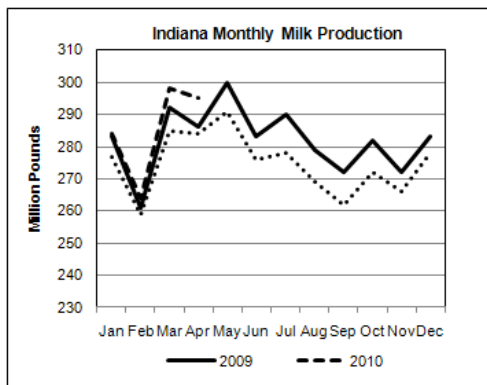
This major survey will be conducted during the first half of June by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The information gathered will be used to make state, regional and national estimates of crop acreage, grain stocks, livestock inventories, number of farms and land in farms and other statistics.

This survey is important in making accurate crop and livestock estimates, which provide a basis for an orderly marketing system. An orderly marketing system is essential to all involved in agriculture.

The June Agricultural Survey is one of the most important of the many surveys conducted each year by the Indiana

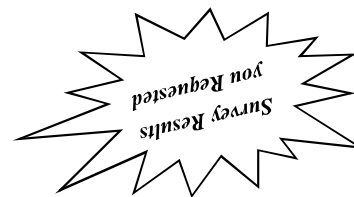
Field Office. Other Agricultural Surveys are scheduled for September, December, and March. In addition to the agricultural surveys of farm operators conducted by this office, corn and soybean plots are randomly selected and laid out to aid in monitoring crop condition and potential yields during the growing season. Separate cattle, sheep, and goat inventory surveys are conducted in July and January.

The farms expected to participate nationally in the June survey are selected from over 2 million farms nationwide, using statistical sampling procedures. Facts about an individual's farm or ranch are strictly confidential and used only in combination with reports from other farmers to produce agricultural statistics for Indiana and the nation.



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